

# 2004 ELECTION

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My name is Denise Matsumoto and I am seeking reelection to the Board of Education. I have a daughter who is a graduate of Hawaii's public schools. I have been a Preschool Teacher for over twenty years. I have served the state of Hawaii on the Board of Education for sixteen years. I am currently the Second Vice Chairperson of the Board and the Chairperson for Committee on Collective Bargaining for Unit 05. I have served as Chairperson of the Committee on Regular Education for several years. I have assisted in the reform and restructuring of our education system in many areas including:

1. The establishment of the Hawaii Content and Performance Standards which state what every student must learn and be able to do.
2. The adoption of a literacy policy requiring schools to use proven teaching methods, so that all third graders will be reading at grade level.
3. The support and adoption of policies and plans that will reinvent our career and technical education programs and high schools, so that all our graduates can achieve their goals.
4. The negotiated performance based evaluations of teachers.
5. The Legislature passing Act 51, also known as the Reinvention of Education Act which establishes local decision making and the weighted student formula.

I have had the pleasure of serving the people of Hawaii and hope to continue work for the success of all our students. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Mahalo.

